



Project Approval 09_0175 Karuah East Quarry

To: Secretary of Planning, Industry and Environment

From: Greg Dressler (Quarry Manager); Joel Fleming (Environmental Officer)

Subject: Temporary Extension of Operation Hours

Attention: Secretary of Planning, Industry and Environment

Karuah East Quarry Propriety Limited (KEQPL) is requesting temporary approval to operate outside of the consented hours of PA 09_0175 Schedule 2, Condition 7 Hours of Operation (see **Table 1**).

Activity	Operating Hours
Quarrying Operations	7.00 am to 6.00 pm, Monday to Friday; and 7.00 am to 1.00 pm, Saturdays. No quarrying operations on Sundays or Public Holidays.
Construction activities	7.00 am to 6.00 pm, Monday to Friday; and 8.00 am to 1.00 pm, Saturdays, unless noise from these activities does not exceed 35dB(A) $L_{Aeq(15 min)}$ at any privately-owned residence.
Maintenance activities	24 hours a day, 7 days per week, providing maintenance activities are inaudible at any privately-owned residence

Note: This condition does not apply in the event of a direction from police or other relevant authority for safety or emergency reasons regarding works which may need to be undertaken to avoid loss of life, property loss and/or to prevent environmental harm.

Due to recent extreme weather experienced on the eastern coast of New South Wales, coastal residents of the Central Coast Local Government Area have suffered significant damage and loss of property due to coastal erosion. Central Coast Council have requested that KEQPL provide large rock material, as a matter of urgency, to stabilize the coastal erosion in an aim to stop further damage and loss of property.

KEQPL is therefore requesting that the Department permit extended operation hours from those outlined in PA 09_0175, to twenty-four-hour operation. At this stage KEQPL are only requesting this extension of operation hours for the period between 22 July 2020 to 23 July 2020.

KEQPL are proposing three Central Coast Council truck and dogs drive to Karuah East Quarry and be loaded during the afternoon of 22 July 2020 and then return to the Central Coast to unload material. This process would be repeated once again with the three truck and dogs returning to Karuah East Quarry for loading at approximately 12:00AM to 1:00AM, then again between 5:00AM and 6:00AM. This would result in a maximum of two rounds of loading being undertaken outside of the consented hours.



KEQPL acknowledge that this operation may raise concern to nearby residents and the Karuah community, and therefore the following mitigation measures would be implemented:

- Notification to nearby residents using the Blast Notification Register.
- A detailed notification being displayed on the Hunter Quarries website.
- Contact details made available for community enquiries.
- Loading undertaken using rock grabs (on excavator) to minimize noise generated.

KEQPL appreciate the Department reviewing this request and responding with hast, as the matter is of great significance. KEQPL are willing to discuss any further details or mitigation measures with the Department.

Kind Regards,

Greg Dressler

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